## Chugach Region Archaeological Repository FY2022 Request: \$6,277,685 Reference No: 64160 **AP/AL:** Appropriation **Project Type:** Construction Category: Education **Recipient:** Chugach Heritage Foundation Location: Anchorage Areawide House District: Anchorage Areawide (HD 12-28) **Contact:** Micaela Fowler Impact House District: Anchorage Areawide (HD 12-28) **Brief Summary and Statement of Need:** At their January 18, 2022 meeting the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council allocated \$6.28 million of settlement funds for facilities replacement for the Chugach Region Archaeological Repository and Museum. The museum will serve as a single consolidated repository for Chugach Artifacts from the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill area, and provide industry-standard controls for archival, display, and educational purposes of these artifacts. Furthermore, there will be a system to digitize and make information available as necessary to provide management of these critical resources. **Funding:** FY2022 FY2023 FY2024 FY2025 FY2026 FY2027 Total 1018 EVOSS \$6,277,685 \$6,277,685 Total: \$6,277,685 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$0 \$6,277,685 ☐ State Match Required ☐ One-Time Project Phased - new ☐ Phased - underway ☐ Ongoing 0% = Minimum State Match % Required ☐ Amendment ☐ Mental Health Bill **Operating & Maintenance Costs:** Amount Staff

**Project Development:** 

Ongoing Operating:

One-Time Startup:

Totals:

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## **Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Additional financial and in-kind support for this project is planned from the Chugach Alaska Corporation, Rasmuson Foundation, the federal government, and private donors.

## **Project Description/Justification:**

Chugach Heritage Foundation (CHF) will administer and operate an archaeological repository and museum facility in midtown Anchorage, Alaska. The facility will serve as a single consolidated repository for Alaska Native Artifacts from the Valdez Oil Spill Area. The facility will provide industry standard temperature, humidity and light controls to be used for archival, display and educational purposes of these artifacts. Further, there will be a system to classify, digitize, manage and make information available is necessary to provide data management of these critical resources. Currently all Alaska Native Artifacts collected and preserved following the oil spill are stored in boxes in Anchorage. They are at risk of being damaged and are not able to be shared with Chugach Alaska Corporation (CAC) shareholders or residents.

The CAC is the regional Alaska Native Corporation in Prince William Sound and the Lower Cook Inlet.

This region was the most devastated by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill. Chugach's communities include,

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Port Graham, Nanwalek, Seward, Cordova, Tatitlek, Chenega, and Valdez, and are all within the Oil Spill affected area.